## OMAFRA – U of G Partnership Gryphon's LAAIR\* - Funded Projects 2017

\*Leading to the Accelerated Adoption of Innovative Research

## Gryphon's LAAIR projects funded in spring 2017

**Manjusri Misra**, \$30,000 – Biobased and novel compostable biocomposite tomato clips for greenhouse industry

Amar Mohanty, \$30,000 – Agro-based carbonaceous biocomposites for lightweight automotive parts

Mike Dixon, \$30,000 – Irrigation program for ornamental nurseries

**Eric Lyons**, \$30,000 – Development of data processing and decision making interface for a novel sod scanner used in precision agriculture

Loong-Tak Lim, \$30,000 – Development of trigger release of polymer carriers for aldehydes

**Baozhong Meng**, \$30,000 – Development and validation of next-generation sequencing (NGS) technologies and bioinformatic pipelines as a routine platform for the diagnosis of grapevine viruses

**Michele Oliver**, \$25,000 – Novel active whole-body vibration attenuation device for mobile agricultural machinery

Manick Annamalai, \$25,000 - Production of free-flow spray dried maple powder

**Dominique Bureau**, \$25,000 – Exploring the Value to the Global Animal Feed Industry of a Method to Predict the Nutritional Value of Protein in Feather Meal Using Raman Spectroscopy.

## The following projects below were jointly funded by the OMAFRA-UofG Partnership and the UofG Food from Thought Initiative

Rozita Dara, \$30,000 – Blockchain to securely trace soybean products

**George van der Merwe**, \$30,000 – Applications of novel stress tolerant yeasts in commercial alcoholic fermentations

**Praveen Saxena**, \$30,000 – Hazelnut cryobank for the Ontario industry: Development of a commercial cryopreservation protocol for elite cultivars

Wael Ahmed, \$30,000 – Innovative Airlift Pump Technology for Sustainable Food Production

**Ian Tetlow**, \$30,000 – Optimising Reaction Conditions for Enzymatic Modification of Industrial Biopolymers

**Cynthia Scott-Dupree**, \$30,000 – Sterile Insect Technique: A potential control strategy for pepper weevil, a pest of greenhouse sweet pepper crops in Ontario

**Manish N. Raizada**, \$30,000 – Towards commercialization of a corn biofertilizer that promotes crop growth without synthetic nitrogen fertilizer and can promote a new crop to diversify Ontario's farm landscapes